

- **On top** – places the value of each data series above the others. The Y values no longer represent absolute values, except for the first data series, which appears at the bottom of the chart. This is the default setting.
- **Percent** – scales the Y values as percentages of the category total.

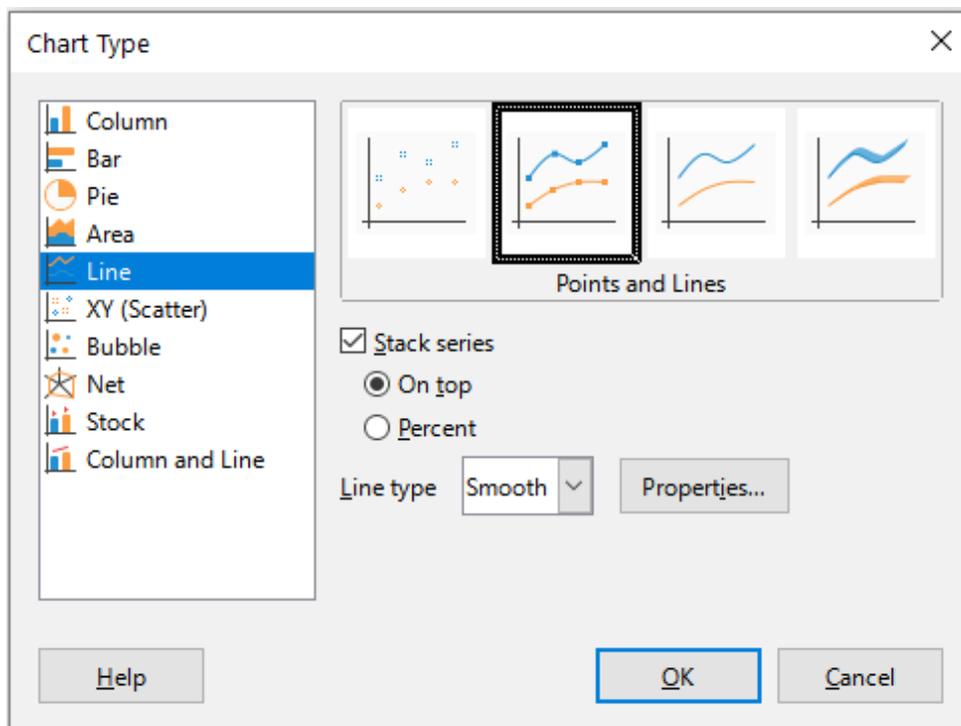


Figure 137: Chart Type dialog – Line

The *Line type* drop-down list has three options that determine how the data points are connected:

### Straight

Draws straight lines between the points.

### Smooth

Connects the points with curves instead of lines. When this option is selected, click **Properties** to open the Smooth Lines dialog (Figure 138) and further specify the curves.

For smooth lines, there are two line type options: **Cubic spline** or **B-spline**. These are mathematical models that join together segments of polynomials to display the curves. For B-spline lines, there is an option to set the degree of the polynomials. Select a higher resolution for smoother curves.

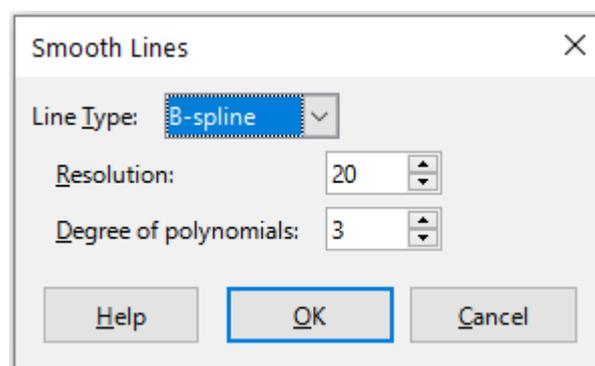


Figure 138: Smooth Lines dialog